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SUBJECT: US DISTANCE METERS TOHUNGARY - IL 1502

REF: A. COCOM DOC (74) 319 (STATE A-888)

B. OECD PARIS 5609

1. DURING CLEARANCE OF DRAFTS AT MARCH 12 COCOM MEETING
UKDEL ADDED FOLLOWING TO DOC (74) 49), REPORTING PREVIOUS WEEK'S
DISCUSSION:

A. PARAGRAPH 3 OF COCOM DOC (74) 319 REFERRED TO A MODEL
3800B DISTANCE METER AS DID THE DATA SHEETS DEPOSITED AT THE
SECRETARIAT. THERE WAS NO MENTION HOWEVER OF THIS INSTRUMENT
IN THE LIST OF EQUIPMENT PROPOSED FOR EXPORT IN PARAGRAPH
1 OF COCOM DOC (74) 319;

B. NO TECHNICAL DETAILS HAD BEEN PROVIDED ON THE ALTIMETERS
AND THERMOMETERS MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1;

C. WHY WERE FOUR CARRYING CASES REQUIRED FOR THE BATTERIES
OR THE INSTRUMENTS THEMSELVES? MOREOVER THE MENTION OF FOUR
CARRYING CASES LED THE UNITED KINGDOM AUTHORITIES TO WONDER
WHETHER FOUR RATHER THAN TWO DISTANCE METERS WERE TO BE EXPORTED;

D. WAS THE ACCURACY OF THE DISTANCE METERS SUFFICIENT FOR
THEM TO BE USED FOR MILITARY SURVEY PURPOSES?

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WM REGRETTABLY, WE SEE THAT WE FAILED TO TRANSCRIBE THE IMPORTANT INITIAL LINE OF THE EQUIPMENT LIST FROM A-888. SECRETARIAT IS CIRCULATING A CORRIGENDUM WHICH WILL SETTLE QUESTION (A) AND, WE BELIEVE, QUESTION (B). FOR THE SAKE OF COMPLETENESS, HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE INFO FROM WASHINGTON AS TO WHAT EACH OF THE CARRYING CASES CARRIES. THERE IS, OF COURSE, A RESPONSE TO QUESTION (D) IN OC DOC 4954, BUT WE LEAVE IT TO WASHINGTON TO PHRASE THE ANSWER.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: DATA SHEETS OR OTHER INFORMATION ON ALTIMETERS AND THERMOMETERS AND INSTRUCTIONS RE QUESTIONS (C) AND (D). CASE NOW REMAINS PENDING UNTIL WE REPLY.
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